

22. (New) The plant freshness-keeping composition according to claim 1, wherein said surfactant (A) is in an amount of 0.0005 to 0.05 percent by weight of said freshness-keeping composition.

23. (New) The method of preserving a plant according to claim 6, wherein said surfactant (A) of the freshness-keeping composition of claim 1 is in an amount of 0.0001 to 0.1 percent by weight of said freshness-keeping composition.

24. (New) The method of preserving a plant according to claim 6, wherein said surfactant (A) of the freshness-keeping composition of claim 1 is in an amount of 0.0005 to 0.05 percent by weight of said freshness-keeping composition.

25. (New) The method of claim 7, wherein said surfactant (A) of the freshness-keeping composition is in an amount of 0.0001 to 0.1 percent by weight of said freshness-keeping composition.

26. (New) The method of claim 7, wherein said surfactant (A) of the freshness-keeping composition is in an amount of 0.0005 to 0.05 percent by weight of said freshness-keeping composition.--